FISCAL NOTE

HB 3890 - SB 4018

February 15, 2008

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes students who meet all non-academic eligibility requirements as entering freshmen, excluding high school academic eligibility requirements, to become eligible for the HOPE Scholarship by entering college, continuing to meet all non-academic requirements, and making the dean's list at the eligible postsecondary institution at which the student is enrolled full-time.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Other Fiscal Impact – Increases the expenditure of lottery proceeds earmarked for scholarships and grants by \$3,840,000 in FY08-09 and by \$3,916,000 in FY09-10.

Assumptions:

- The Tennessee Student Assistance Corporation estimates approximately 1,200 students (720 four-year students; 480 two-year students) would qualify for the HOPE Scholarship in the first year (FY08-09).
- The increase of expenditures from lottery proceeds is estimated to be 3,840,000 [(720 students x 4,000) + (480 students x 2,000) = 3,840,000] in FY08-09.
- Two percent increase in the second year (FY09-10).
- Total number of students in FY09-10 is estimated to be 1,224 (734 four-year students; 490 two-year students).
- The increase of expenditures from lottery proceeds is estimated to be 3,916,000 [(734 students x \$4,000) + (490 students x \$2,000) = \$3,916,000] in FY09-10.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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